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Title: A Method Of Treating Diabetes Mellitus In A Patient

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4 sheets of copy of executed Declaration and Power of Attorney from earlier application no. 09/848,772 filed May 3, 2001

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